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## 11—63.6(8A) Rights upon return from leave.

**63.6(1)** An employee who is on approved leave without pay, disaster service volunteer leave, educational leave or leave without pay for military service must notify the agency or institution from which the employee is on leave of the intent to exercise return from leave rights. Upon return from leave, the employee shall have the right to return to a vacant position in the class held prior to the leave or to a class in the same pay grade for which the employee qualifies. If a vacant position is not available, the reduction in force provisions of 11—Chapter 60 shall apply. The appointing authority must approve if an employee on leave without pay, disaster service volunteer leave, or educational leave requests to return to work sooner than the original approved leave expiration date. Employees on leave without pay for more than 30 calendar days, except for military leave, or educational leave required by the appointing authority, shall have their pay increase eligibility date adjusted to a later date which reflects the period of leave without pay.

**63.6(2)** An employee who elects to separate from employment for purposes of induction into military service shall have the right to return to a vacant position in the class held prior to separation or to a class in the same pay grade for which the employee qualifies. If a vacant position is not available, the reduction in force provisions of 11—Chapter 60 shall apply. Upon return, the employee's pay increase eligibility date and unused sick leave at the time of separation shall be restored.